

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 314

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Gaye Lynn Wilson upon being named the 2023 Wilsonian of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Gaye Lynn Wilson, who was recently named the 2023 Wilsonian of the Year by the Mt. Juliet Chamber of Commerce, a most befitting honor that recognizes her success and devoted leadership in the Wilson County community; and

WHEREAS, the esteemed award recognizes individuals or organizations that work assiduously for citizens throughout Wilson County and promote unity, cooperation, and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Gaye Wilson is a devoted leader in her community, where she has served as the executive director of Wilson Rides, Inc., since 2021; with three incorporated cities and more than 150,000 residents in Wilson County, she takes immense pride in keeping the senior community connected and engaged through the successful nonprofit organization; and

WHEREAS, under her astute leadership as executive director, Wilson Rides, Inc., received the Non-Profit of Excellence Award from the Lebanon Wilson County Chamber of Commerce at the 2023 Annual Membership Meeting & Awards Celebration; and

WHEREAS, since the organization's inception and its first ride on May 25, 2021, Wilson Rides, Inc., has provided more than 587 round trips throughout Wilson County, and volunteers have driven more than 29,832 miles collectively; additionally, the organization will soon celebrate its second anniversary of offering ride services and its third anniversary of receiving the 501(c)(3) nonprofit status; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Gaye Lynn Wilson for her many contributions to the good people of Tennessee, her unwavering commitment to others, and her astute leadership in Wilson County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Gaye Lynn Wilson on being named the 2023 Wilsonian of the Year by the Mt. Juliet Chamber of Commerce and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.